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### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

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N/A (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.

N/A (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.

N/A (l) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.

\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

N/A (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-3 and the

N/A (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.

N/A (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.

N/A (g) Computation of Net Capital.

(I) An Oath or Affirmation.

N/A (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.

### SALIENT CAPITAL, L.P. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

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### **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Partners Salient Capital, L.P. Houston, Texas

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Salient Capital, L.P. (the "Partnership") as of December 31, 2008, that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This statement of financial condition is the responsibility of the Partnership's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Salient Capital, L.P. as of December 31, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

UHY LLP

Houston, Texas February 11, 2009

## SALIENT CAPITAL, L.P. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 226,446
Accounts receivable	73,540
Prepaid expenses	15,638
Due from affiliate	9,691
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 325,315
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 19,334
Accrued expenses	15,572
Due to affiliates	 143,674_
TOTAL LIABILITIES	178,580
PARTNERS' CAPITAL	
General partner	1,467
Limited partner	 145,268
TOTAL PARTNERS' CAPITAL	 146,735
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL	\$ 325,315

# SALIENT CAPITAL, L.P. NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

#### NOTE A - NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Salient Capital, L.P. (the "Partnership"), a Texas limited partnership formed in March 2002, was granted membership in the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") on November 6, 2008. Accordingly, the period since registration is presented in the financial statements. It is a limited broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(i), which provides that the Partnership will not maintain any margin accounts, will promptly transmit customer funds and deliver securities received, and does not hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers. The Partnership's general partner (with a 1% ownership interest) is Salient Capital Management, LLC.

The Partnership earns fees as a placement agent in connection with certain private investment funds. As of December 31, 2008, the Partnership was registered as a limited broker-dealer in 49 U.S. states and territories.

The general partner and limited partner share in the profits and losses of the Partnership based on their percentage ownership.

#### NOTE B - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Use of Estimates</u>: The preparation of the statement of financial condition in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America necessarily requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the statement of financial condition and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

<u>Revenues and Expenses</u>: Revenues and expenses are recorded as earned or incurred, respectively. All revenues are derived from placement fees that are earned from private investment funds that are managed by the same organization. The organization managing such funds is not an affiliate or related party of the Partnership.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: As a partnership, the Partnership is not subject to federal taxes on its income. The partners include in their federal tax returns the Partnership's income or loss. Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes has been made for the Partnership. However, the Partnership is subject to state income taxes, including the Texas margin tax.

<u>Cash</u>: During 2008, the credit and liquidity crisis in the United States resulted in the formation of the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP). As of December 31, 2008, the Partnership had cash held on deposit in an institution that received assistance under TARP and the Partnership's account balance has periodically exceeded federally insured limits. It has not experienced any losses associated with this account.

# SALIENT CAPITAL, L.P. NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

### NOTE C - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Under a management agreement with the sole limited partner (Salient Partners, L.P.), the limited partner provides all management and back office services to the Partnership. The limited partner also pays overhead expenses, as defined in the management agreement. The Partnership pays the limited partner a management fee, which is payable monthly and renews annually, unless terminated by the Partnership or the limited partner upon 30 days written notice.

At December 31, 2008, the Partnership owed \$143,674 to the limited partner and other affiliates and had a receivable of \$9,691 due from an affiliate.

### NOTE D - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Partnership is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 8 to 1 during the first twelve months after commencing business as a broker-dealer, and subsequently, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2008, the Partnership had net capital of \$47,866, which was \$25,544 in excess of its required net capital of \$22,322. The Partnership's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 3.73 to 1. The SEC requirements provide that partners' capital may not be withdrawn or cash distributions paid if certain minimum net capital requirements are not met.

# SALIENT CAPITAL, L.P.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2008**